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1. A filing case comprising,

a filing pouch having a stiff compartment demarcation panel and a stiff pouch back cover both having upper and lower edges and said compartment demarcation panel is located in front of said pouch back cover, and a stiff folding flap joined to said upper edge of said pouch back cover in articulated fashion, a pair of flexible pouch side panels each having upper and lower edges and each being attached to said compartment demarcation panel and said pouch back cover from said upper edges to said lower edges thereof, and a stiff pouch bottom panel extending transversely between said pouch side panels and between said compartment demarcation panel and said pouch back cover, whereby said filing pouch forms a pouch compartment between said compartment demarcation panel, said pouch back cover, said pair of pouch side panels, and said pouch bottom panel,

a stiff tote box of fixed dimensions formed with a back panel, a front panel, a bottom panel, and opposing side panels, and said tote box snugly fits into said pouch compartment, and said tote box is alternatively removable from said pouch compartment and insertable into said pouch compartment pocket to contact said pouch back cover, said compartment demarcation panel, said bottom panel, and said pouch side panels, and

an expandable filing folder having a filing folder front cover having a top and a bottom and a first clasp member thereon and wherein said

compartment demarcation panel forms a back for said expandable filing folder, and said filing folder has a plurality of filing folder file section dividers having opposing, mutually parallel filing folder divider, upper and lower edges and opposing, mutually parallel filing folder divider side edges oriented perpendicular to said filing folder divider upper and lower edges and coupled to said filing folder front cover and said compartment demarcation panel with a plurality of accordion folding pleated connections, thereby forming a plurality of filing folder file pockets between said filing folder file section dividers and said filing folder front cover and said compartment demarcation panel, and wherein said folding flap has a second clasp member thereon and is foldable over said filing folder front cover and over said expandable filing folder to both close said pouch compartment and envelop said filing folder between said folding flap and said pouch back cover, whereupon said first and second clasp members are engageable with each other, both when said tote box is inserted into said pouch compartment and when said tote box is removed therefrom, and said folding flap is unfoldable to expose both said pouch compartment and said expandable filing folder.

2. A filing case according to Claim 1 further comprising a pair of plastic filing folder side panel sheets folded from top to bottom with a plurality of accordion folds and having fore and aft edge strips from top to bottom secured to said filing folder front cover and to said demarcation panel, respectively, and said filing folder section dividers are formed as plastic sheets all having side edge margins adjacent said side filing folder divider edges, and said filing folder divider section side edge margins are

heat welded to separate ones of said accordion folds of said filing folder side panel sheets from top to bottom between said upper and lower filing folder divider edges, thereby forming said plurality of accordion folding pleated connections.

3. A filing case according to Claim 1 wherein said tote box is equipped with a first set of releaseable fastening elements and said filing pouch is equipped with a second set of releaseable fastening elements, and said first and second sets of releaseable fastening elements are mutually engageable together and disengageable from each other.

4. A filing case according to Claim 3 wherein said first and second sets of releaseable fastening elements are comprised of mating pads of flexible, fabric hook and loop fastener material.

5. A filing case according to Claim 1 further comprising at least one hanging pocket permanently secured inside said tote box near the upper extremity thereof.

6. A filing case according to Claim 5 wherein said at least one hanging pocket is configured in size and shape to snugly accommodate a portable computer disk.

7. A filing case according to Claim 1 further comprising at least one transparent window pocket formed into said expandable filing folder on said compartment demarcation panel.

8. A filing case having a rear compartment and an expandable front

compartment with a stiff compartment demarcation panel located therebetween, and a plurality of file section dividers located in said expandable front compartment to divide said expandable front compartment into separate pockets between said file section

5 dividers, and said file section dividers have side edge margins, and further comprising a pair of front compartment side panels folded from top to bottom with a plurality of accordion folds, and said side edge margins of said file section dividers are individually secured to said side panels at separate ones of said accordion folds, so that said front compartment is collapsible front to back, and said rear compartment is formed by a stiff

10 back wall located behind said compartment demarcation panel, and said rear compartment has flexible side walls extending from said back wall to said compartment demarcation panel, whereby said rear compartment is configured as a cavity located between said compartment demarcation panel, said back wall and said rear compartment side walls, and further comprising a stiff, rectilinear tote box removably

15 insertable into said rear compartment to fit snugly between said back wall, said compartment demarcation panel and said rear compartment side walls in contact therewith, and further comprising a releaseable folding cover flap projecting upwardly from said back wall and foldable forwardly to extend over both said front and rear compartments, and releaseable, mutually engageable clasp elements are provided on said folding cover flap and on said front panel of said front compartment.

9. A filing case according to Claim 8 wherein said front compartment side panels are formed of plastic sheets and said file section dividers are also formed of

plastic sheets, and said side edge margins of said file section dividers are heat welded to said front compartment side panels.

10. A filing case according to Claim 8 further comprising detachable fastening elements in said rear compartment and on said tote box that releaseably hold said tote box in said rear compartment.

11. A filing case according to Claim 10 wherein said detachable fastening elements are mating flexible pads of flexible, fabric hooks and flexible fabric looped pile.

12. A filing case according to Claim 8 further comprising at least one hanging pocket secured within said tote box.

13. A filing case comprising:

a stiff, flat base structure divided transversely by folds to define articulated components including a front compartment front panel having opposing side edges and a first clasp element thereon, a bottom, a back wall, a top cover closure flap having a second clasp element thereon, and said articulated components are joined together by transverse hinge connections,

a pair of flexible rear compartment side panels extending forwardly from said back wall and located atop said bottom,

a transversely oriented stiff compartment demarcation panel located in front of said back wall and above said bottom and extending between and joined to said rear compartment side panels, and having opposing side edges joined to

said rear compartment side panels, thereby delineating a rear compartment from a front compartment,

a stiff, rectilinear tote box that snugly fits into said rear

15 compartment and is removable therefrom, and

a pair of front compartment side panels folded from top to bottom

with a plurality of accordion folds and secured from top to bottom to said opposing side edges of said compartment demarcation panel and from top to bottom to said opposing

20 side edges of said front compartment front panel, and a plurality of transverse front compartment divider sheets having side edge margins that are individually secured to

separate ones of said accordion folds in said front compartment side panels to thereby define a plurality of transversely extending pockets in said front compartment closed

from beneath by said bottom, whereby said front compartment is compressible by rotation of said front compartment front panel relative to said bottom and toward said

25 compartment demarcation panel and expandable by rotation of said front compartment front panel relative to said bottom away from said compartment demarcation panel

when said clasp elements are disengaged, and said cover flap may be closed and said

clasp elements engaged together when said front compartment is collapsed, both with

and without said tote box in said rear compartment.

14. A filing case according to Claim 13 further comprising releaseable fastening members for holding said tote box in said rear compartment.

15. A filing case according to Claim 14 further comprising at least one

hanging pocket configured to receive a portable computer data storage disk therewithin.

16. A filing case according to Claim 13 further comprising at least one window pocket secured to said compartment divider and facing said front compartment file divider sheets.